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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37CFR 1.114

This is a request for continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 of:

Application Ser. No.: 09/910,809;

Filed: July 24, 2001;

Entitled: Protective Element Particularly for Cycling Shorts;

Prior Application Examiner: HOEY, ALISSA L;

Art Unit: 3765.

A request for extension of the shortened statutory period of the application is herewith enclosed.

Please charge the **deposit account number 13-3860** of applicant's agent of record, in the amount of **US$ 375.00 (§ 1.17(e) - Fee Code 2801)** to cover the cost of the request for continued examination pursuant to § 1.114. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered deposit account.

Please enter the attached Amendment and Information Disclosure Statement in this application.

The authorization in the prior application is to, and please send all correspondence to:

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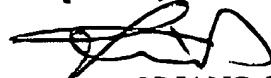
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        -Amendment.
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